

## Impact assessment on water quality by the outfall effluent coming out from a fertilizer factory

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### ABSTRACT

The impact of NFL of Vijapur outfall effluent on the physiochemistry of Chopan and Parvati river was investigated during the sampling period of fourteen month. The outfall effluent discharges into Chopan river which ultimately join to Parvati river, both river water sample were collected. The physico chemical parameter's analyzed for all samples included temperature, pH, T/Cl<sup>-</sup>, TDS, turbidity DO, BOD, COD, T/PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>, F/NH<sub>3</sub>, TS, SS, T/NH<sub>3</sub>- N, conductivity, total hardness, urea, chloride and the sulphate of the NFL of Vijapur outfall effluent above the IS and WHO standards reflect the poor effluent quality generated by fertilizer plant.

**Key words:** Industrialization, fertilizer, Chopan and Parvati river, outfall effluent, pollution, physico-chemical parameters.

### INTRODUCTION

The impact of industrial toxics and Hazardous wastes on living organism cannot be over stressed. Consequently, upon the Industrial revolution, many production and manufacturing companies have due to improper waste management techniques, added toxic and Hazardous wastes into the aquatic environment. These wastes are also discharged into water without any treatment as a result of improper or deliberate channeling of the wastes in to aquatic environment. The presence of these wastes in the environment causes extensive damage to the water quality characteristics and the ecology of the environment.

The present investigation involves the analysis of surface water of chopan and parvati river near Vijaypur fertilizer plant district Guna (M.P.) India. Because of the outfall effluent of NFL discharges into both river.

### Methodology

#### Study Area

The study was carried out at station of Chopan and Parvati river about 5 km. distance around to Vijaypur NFI Guna (M.P.) India, included outfall effluent of NFL before mixed into both river.

River Parvati flows on the western side about 4 kms away from the plant draining from south to north and Chopan river which ultimately drains into river Parvati, flows 2 km. away from the plant on the Northern side. Both rivers are main water (outfall effluent) receiving body of Industrial outfall effluent of Vijapur fertilizer plant. The area of study lying between latitude 77° to 77 ° 15' and longitude to 24° 15' to 24° 40'.

Water samples were collected cross sectionally from different parts of study area including outfall effluent on NFL before mixed into river (outfall effluent A<sub>1</sub>, Chopan river B<sub>2</sub> to B<sub>5</sub> Parvati river C<sub>6</sub> to

Table 1: Observed value of Samples of different water quality parameter's with their IS and WHO standard

S. No.	Parameters Mg/l	Sampling Point											WHO Standard	
		A <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>4</sub>	B <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>7</sub>	C <sub>8</sub>	Indian Standard				
1	Temperature	-	24	20	21	23	22	23	21	21	23	21	40°C Not more than	-
2	Turbidity (NTU)	9.8	3.1	6.4	3.9	2.8	3	8.7	5.8	5	8.7	5.8	5	5
3	pH	9.1	7.9	8.5	8.7	8.1	8.7	8	7.7	7.0-8.5	8	7.7	5.5-9	7.0-8.5
4	Conductivity (MS/CS)	0.728	0.48	0.50	0.45	0.51	0.49	0.53	0.49	0.300	0.53	0.49	-	0.300
5	TS	2619	479	567	637	480	368	481	410	-	481	410	-	-
6	TDS	2578	401	570	611	499	313	449	380	500.0	449	380	2100	500.0
7	SS	48	11.2	15.5	16.1	13.5	8.2	9.9	10.1	-	9.9	10.1	100	-
8	Total Hardness	285	208	250	199	320	188	217	201	100.0	217	201	-	100.0
9	DO	-	8.9	10.5	11.5	13.3	9.3	9.2	9.0	5.0	9.2	9.0	-	5.0
10	BOD	48	100.0	16.0	18.0	14.3	8.1	9.1	7.5	6.0	9.1	7.5	30	6.0
11	COD	185	15.9	30.5	18.5	20.5	15.6	18.9	10.5	10.0	18.9	10.5	250	10.0
12	T/NH <sub>3</sub> -N	409	10.7	16.5	15.7	18.8	8.9	7.8	9.5	0.5	7.8	9.5	50	0.5
13	F/NH <sub>3</sub>	35.5	26.5	29.1	35.2	22.8	10.5	ND	6.8	-	ND	6.8	5	-
14	Nitrate	48	16.5	18.9	21.1	15.8	8.5	9.3	9.0	-	9.3	9.0	-	-
15	Urea	45	2.5	5.6	3.5	ND	0.8	0.15	ND	-	0.15	ND	-	-
16	T/PO <sup>-3</sup>	105	7.9	9.5	7.8	8.5	4.5	ND	5.5	5	ND	5.5	5	-
17	Chloride	141	13.5	14.1	38.1	35.2	20.5	27.5	ND	200.0	27.5	ND	1000	200.0
18	Sulphate	89	19.5	88.1	ND	45.6	31.5	60.1	40.5	200.0	60.1	40.5	1000	200.0

Note : All value Mg/L except pH, temperature and turbidity and conductivity.

A = NFL effluent B = Chopan river and C = Parvati Rive.

C<sub>8</sub>). However different parameter's were studied by standard method (AAPHA 1995, AWWA 1989, Goel 1986 and Vogel 1978, WPCF). Samples were carried out immediately in the laboratory. Care had been taken for the detection of BOD so that samples bottle are immediately wrapped with black paper. BOD is determined at the rate of 5 days from the collection of samples<sup>1</sup>.

The water quality parameter's (WQPS) of outfall effluent of NFL and rivers were analyzed in this study as temperature by using mercury thermometer<sup>2</sup>, turbidity by Nephelometer (NTU)<sup>3</sup>, conductivity by digital conductometer (systronic Model No. 304)<sup>4</sup>. TH by complexometric titration (EDTA)<sup>5</sup>, urea by spectrophotometric method<sup>6</sup>, Do by wingkler's method (Iodometric)<sup>7</sup>, chloride by Argentometry (mohr's method)<sup>8</sup>, pH by digital pH meter<sup>9</sup>, free Ammonia by the direct titration method<sup>10</sup>, Phosphate by spectrophotometric method<sup>11</sup>, TDS by evaporation method<sup>12</sup> and sulphate by Nephelometry<sup>13</sup>.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Result of the water quality parameters (WQPs) of the NFL outfall effluent and rivers water during the fourteen month sampling period of study area and IS, WHO standard for outfall effluent of Industry for comparison are as shown in table-1.

Apart from SS, chloride and sulphate the NFL outfall effluent recorded the highest concentration for all the water quality physico-chemical parameters measured, with the exception of temperature, DO, sulphate and chloride the concentration of all other parameters of the NFL outfall effluent are higher than the IS and WHO standard generally expect for conductivity TDS (Remaining to B<sub>3</sub> and B<sub>4</sub> point), BOD, COD chloride and sulphate. River water also recorded higher concentration for all the physico-chemical parameters in Chopan and Parvati River. The result generally revealed a gradual mixing of the constituent of the NFL outfall effluent quality is poor and contain high concentration of Inorganic constituents (Such as T/PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>, T/Cl, urea, F/NH<sub>3</sub> and sulphate) which were above the acceptable standard (IS and WHO) limits.

## CONCLUSION

Based on the data depicting the base line status and data collected after the commissioning of he plant, it concluded that the liquid effluent from NFL being discharged into river Chopan which ultimately join to Parvati river do have a very marginal impact on the river water quality. Causing major variation in the physical and chemical characteristics. However the self purification capacity and dilution factor are taking care of the potential pollutional problems.

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